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EDUCATION

MSc Development Studies | London School of Economics and Political Science

(26/09/2025 - 01/09/2026)

- **Relevant Modules:** *Automated Data Visualisation for Policy Making, Geoeconomics, Crisis Management, Development: Theory, History, and Policy, International Institutions and Late Development, Complex Emergencies, & Dissertation.*

Macro-Data Pipeline Automation & Visualisation Website | School of Public Policy, LSE

Python Coding Course | Digital Skills Lab, LSE

- Completed 5/7 sections of the Python coding course

BSc (Hons) Philosophy, Politics, and Economics | King's College London

- **Classification:** First Class Honours
- **Relevant Modules:** *Advanced Microeconometrics, Topics in Advanced Microeconomics, Microeconomics, Macroeconomics, History and Political Economy: Issues and Methods, Using Economics in Government, Political Economy of the Middle East, Politics of Policy Making, & Topics in Development Economics.*

Macroeconometrics Dissertation | King's College London

- Conducted empirical research testing the effects of economic sentiment on social media on inflation expectations.
- Gathered an original data set of 400,000 observations across 8 years
- Successfully implemented macroeconomic Vector AutoRegression with Exogenous Controls at a 0.01 significance level

RELEVANT EXPERIENCE

Intern | Cairo International Centre for Conflict Resolution, Peacekeeping, and Peacebuilding

- Developed macroeconomic and political research, producing briefing notes, talking points, and speech material that informed high-level dialogues on development, peacebuilding, and climate-security.
- Led the preparation of 5 high-level policy dialogues, synthesising economic data and policy frameworks to support senior decision-makers.

Intern | Aswan Forum

- Co-ordinated the organisation of a major international forum hosting ~50 ministers, 500+ guests, and 10 delegations, managing protocol, logistics, and strategic coordination.
- Authored concise political and macroeconomic briefs for senior officials, distilling complex data into clear insights for speeches, panels, and session materials.

Student-Liaison | Egyptian Cultural & Educational Bureau, London

- Represented the student body at major diplomatic events, delivering keynote speeches and serving as the organisation's primary spokesperson; engaged with delegations and audiences of 200+ attendees across multiple high-level forums.
- Led a strategic initiative to address and mitigate brain drain through targeted awareness campaigns and policy advocacy, coordinating a team of 10+ members and reaching an estimated 500+ students through events, digital content, and stakeholder partnerships.

Intern | Egyptian Embassy & Consulate, Muscat

- Conducted in-depth research and prepared analytical briefs on regional political and economic developments to support strategic decision-making; contributed to 3 reports reviewed by senior diplomatic staff.
- Drafted official government memos, developing strong proficiency in bureaucratic processes, policy documentation, and formal communication standards.
- Assisted in front-line emergency response during the early stages of the COVID-19 pandemic, managing citizen inquiries and directing an average of 50-100 individuals per day to appropriate emergency and legal support channels.
- Provided accurate guidance to Egyptian nationals on legal and administrative procedures, improving response efficiency and reducing case-handling time by an estimated 15–20%.

Research Apprentice | International Organisation of Migration, Cairo

- Worked with multidisciplinary teams and local partners to ensure rigorous, ethical data collection and culturally informed research methodologies for field-level socioeconomic studies.

ADDITIONAL EXPERIENCE

Founder & President | Egyptian Society, London School of Economics

- Established LSE's first Egyptian Society from the ground up, recruiting and managing a 5-person executive team, drafting the constitution, and meeting all institutional membership and governance requirements.
- Launched a Substack newsletter providing concise, policy-focused briefings on Egypt's macroeconomic developments for students, faculty, and alumni.
- Built partnerships with two foreign ministry organisations within two months, positioning the Society as a credible platform for dialogue on Egypt, African development, and the MENA region.

Postgraduate Student-Staff-Liaison-Committee Member | Department of International Development, LSE

- Serving as the elected postgraduate liaison for cohorts in departmental consultations, providing structured feedback on teaching quality, curriculum design, and academic policy to improve programme delivery. Currently at 100% resolution rates in Semester 1.

Undergraduate Student Representative | Department of Political Economy, KCL

- Served as the elected liaison between students and faculty, gathering cohort feedback and contributing to evidence-based recommendations on course structure and academic experience.

Skills

Data, Research & Policy Skills: Stata, Python, CSS, Latex, Web Scraping, VegaLite, & HTML

Additional Skills: Video Editing, Photoshop, Darkroom Printing & Developing, Music Production, Photography, Videography

Languages

Professional Working Proficiency: Arabic & English

Elementary Proficiency: French & German

Awards

- Awarded by the Egyptian Minister of Higher Education, Ayman Ashour, for my contributions to the
- Awarded the KCL School of Political Economy Fund for a solo photography exhibition
- Featured and finalist at the Two.Five film festivals
- Featured Artist, Saudi 2030 Gallery, Piccadilly, London